इन करारों का विषय मुख्यत: वैज्ञानिक, तकनीकी तथा प्रौद्योगिकी सहयोग व्यापार व आर्थिक सम्बन्ध, संस्कृति,, कला तथा खेल, राजनयिक तथा कोंसुली मामलों से सम्बन्धित था।

Purchase of Surh 01-27 Fighters from Russia by Pak

22. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the Pakistani move to purchase long range air superiority SURH-01 27 fighters from Russia; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government of India thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Government have seen reports to this effect.

(b) Pakistan's continuous efforts to acquire sophisticated arms and equipment beyond its legitimate defence needs, is a cause of concern.

Government constantly monitors all developments having a bearing on India's security environment and take necessary steps to safeguard India's security.

Rural Representation in Diplomatic Core

23. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:
SHRI MOHINDER SINGH LATHER:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names, qualifications and addresses of India's diplomatic representatives in other countries; and

(b) what are the percentage of the rural representation in the diplomatic core?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

(b) The Ministry does not maintain separate records of officers belonging to the rural areas.

24. [*Transferred to the 29th April*, 1992]

Capital raised for Teak Wood Plantations

25. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some companies collected money under capital issues to raise funds for teak wood plantations;

(b) if so, whether they got approval from Government;

(c) what is the manner in which it is ensured that the prospectus issued is implemented;

(d) what steps are taken to safe-guard the interests of shareholders; and

(e) what are the companies that are allowed to go for capital issues?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) Ministry of Finance has informed that according to readily available information in last one year (1-4-1991 to 31-3-1992), Controller of Capital Issues has not issued consent to any company for raising capital for teak wood plantations.

(c) The utilization of the proceeds of the Issues raised through the prospectus is monitored by the Financial Institutions under the directions of Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance. A copy of the prospectus is also filed with the Registrar of Companies under Section 56(3) of the Companies Act, 1956.

(d) In regards to non-compliance of the provisions of the Companies Act, 1956 and Section 22A of the Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956, share-holders can take up matter with the concerned Registrar of Companies and in regard to non-compliance of Listing Guidelines|Listing Agreement.Circular issued by Department of Economic Affairs. A reference may be made to the concerned Stock Exchange(s)/Department of Economic Affairs. Section 621 of the Companies Act, 1956 also authorises a shareholder to file prosecution against the company and its officers. The companies concerned are advised to ensure that delays and non-delays and non-compliance of provisions of the Companies Act, Listing Guidelines etc. are avoided, failing which proceedings will be initiated against them in accordance with law, Government has issued a Press Note No. 17|8|89-CL.V dated 11-1-91 to this effect for safeguarding the interest of the shareholders|investing public.

(e) Consent to issue of capital to companies is given according to the provisions of the Capital Issues (Control) Act, 1947, as amended from time to time.

Electoral Reforms

26. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI:
DR. SANJAYA SINH:
KUMARI ALIA:
SHRI SHANKAR DAYAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to amend the Representation of the People (Amendment) Act, 1950 to bring in electoral reforms during the present session;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the time by when the legislation is likely to be introduced;

(c) whether it is proposed to set up a Committee also on electoral reforms;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) by when the formal and informal discussions with the political parties are likely to take place in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) and (b) The Government is preparing a comprehensive package of electoral reforms which are proposed to be discussed with the leaders of political parties in Parliament. Necessary legislation to give effect to the proposed electoral reforms is likely to be brought forward in the next session of Parliament.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) Discussions with the leaders of political parties in Parliament are proposed to be held in the next few weeks.

High courts in State and Union Territories

27. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of States and Union Territories in the country which do not have their own High Courts;

(b) what is the number of High Courts which have jurisdiction over two or more States or Union Territories in the country;

(c) whether Government propose to establish one High Court each in every State and Union Territory in the country; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) The principal seats of High Courts in respect of nine States and five Union Territories in the country are not located inside their territories.

(b) The jurisdiction of six High Courts